REFERENCE TITLE: CORP; disability retirements

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## **SB 1309**

Introduced by
Senator Johnson; Representative McClure: Senators Bee, Gray L, Soltero;
Representatives Farnsworth, Miranda B, Rios P

## AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 38-881, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 2006, CHAPTER 264, SECTION 13 AND CHAPTER 308, SECTION 1; AMENDING SECTION 38-881, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 2006, CHAPTER 264, SECTION 14 AND CHAPTER 308, SECTION 2; REPEALING SECTIONS 38-886 AND 38-886.01, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 38, CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE 6, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 38-886; RELATING TO THE CORRECTIONS OFFICER RETIREMENT PLAN; PROVIDING FOR CONDITIONAL ENACTMENT.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Section 38-881, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 2006, chapter 264, section 13 and chapter 308, section 1, is amended to read:

38-881. Definitions

In this article, unless the context otherwise requires:

- 1. "Accidental disability" means a physical or mental condition that the local board finds totally and permanently prevents an employee from performing a reasonable range of duties within the employee's department, was incurred in the performance of the employee's duties and was the result of any of the following:
- (a) Physical contact with inmates, prisoners, parolees or persons on probation.
- (b) Responding to a confrontational situation with inmates, prisoners, parolees or persons on probation.
- (c) A job related motor vehicle accident while on official business for the employee's employer. A job related motor vehicle accident does not include an accident that occurs on the way to or from work. Persons found guilty of violating a personnel rule, a rule established by the employee's employer or a state or federal law in connection with a job related motor vehicle accident do not meet the conditions for accidental disability.
- 1. "ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY" MEANS A PHYSICAL OR MENTAL CONDITION THAT THE LOCAL BOARD FINDS TOTALLY AND PERMANENTLY PREVENTS AN EMPLOYEE FROM PERFORMING A REASONABLE RANGE OF DUTIES WITHIN THE EMPLOYEE'S JOB CLASSIFICATION AND WAS INCURRED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE EMPLOYEE'S DUTY.
- 2. "Accumulated member contributions" means the sum of all member contributions deducted from a member's salary and paid to the fund, plus member contributions transferred to the fund by another retirement plan covering public employees of this state, plus previously withdrawn accumulated member contributions which are repaid to the fund in accordance with this article, minus any benefits paid to or on behalf of a member.
- 3. "Average monthly salary" means one-thirty-sixth of the aggregate amount of salary that is paid a member by a participating employer during a period of thirty-six consecutive months of service in which the member received the highest salary within the last one hundred twenty months of service. Average monthly salary means the aggregate amount of salary that is paid a member divided by the member's months of service if the member has less than thirty-six months of service. In the computation under this paragraph, a period of nonpaid or partially paid industrial leave shall be considered based on the salary the employee would have received in the employee's job classification if the employee was not on industrial leave.
- 4. "Beneficiary" means an individual who is being paid or who has entitlement to the future payment of a pension on account of a reason other than the individual's membership in the retirement plan.

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- 5. 6. "Claimant" means a member, beneficiary or estate that files an application for benefits with the retirement plan.
- 6. 7. "Credited service" means credited service transferred to the retirement plan from another retirement system or plan for public employees of this state, plus those compensated periods of service as a member of the retirement plan for which member contributions are on deposit in the fund.
  - 7. 8. "Designated position" means:
  - (a) For a county:
  - (i) A county detention officer.
- (ii) A nonuniformed employee of a sheriff's department whose primary duties require direct contact with inmates.
- (b) For the state department of corrections and the department of juvenile corrections, only the following specifically designated positions:
  - (i) Food service.
  - (ii) Nursing personnel.
  - (iii) Corrections physician assistant.
  - (iv) Therapist.
  - (v) Corrections dental assistant.
  - (vi) Hygienist.
  - (vii) Corrections medical assistant.
- (viii) Correctional service officer, including assistant deputy warden, deputy warden, warden and superintendent.
  - (ix) State correctional program officer.
  - (x) Parole or community supervision officers.
  - (xi) Investigators.
  - (xii) Teachers.
  - (xiii) Institutional maintenance workers.
  - (xiv) Youth corrections officer.
  - (xv) Youth program officer.
  - (xvi) Behavioral health treatment unit managers.
- (xvii) The director and assistant directors of the department of juvenile corrections and the superintendent of the state educational system for committed youth.
- (xviii) The director, deputy directors and assistant directors of the state department of corrections.
- (xix) Other positions designated by the local board of the state department of corrections or the local board of the department of juvenile corrections pursuant to section 38-891, subsection E.
  - (c) For a city or town, a city or town detention officer.
- (d) For an employer of an eligible group as defined in section 38-842, full-time dispatchers.

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- (e) For the judiciary, probation, surveillance and juvenile detention officers.
- 8. 9. "Employee" means a person determined by the local board to be employed by a participating employer in a designated position.
- $9.\,$  10. "Employer" means an agency or department of this state or a political subdivision of this state which has one or more employees in a designated position.
  - 11. "Fund" means the corrections officer retirement plan fund.
- $\frac{11.}{12.}$  "Fund manager" means the fund manager of the public safety personnel retirement system.
- 12. 13. "Juvenile detention officer" means a juvenile detention officer responsible for the direct custodial supervision of juveniles who are detained in a county juvenile detention center.
- 13. 14. "Local board" means the retirement board of the employer that consists of persons appointed or elected to administer the plan as it applies to the employer's members in the plan.
- $\frac{14.}{15.}$  "Member" means any employee who meets all of the following qualifications:
- (a) Who is a full-time paid person employed by a participating employer in a designated position.
- (b) Who is receiving salary for personal services rendered to a participating employer or would be receiving salary except for an authorized leave of absence.
- (c) Whose customary employment is at least forty hours each week and for more than six months in a calendar year.
- 15. 16. "Normal retirement date" means the first day of the calendar month immediately following an employee's completion of twenty years of service or, in the case of a dispatcher, twenty-five years of service, the employee's sixty-second birthday and completion of ten years of service or the month in which the sum of the employee's age and years of credited service equals eighty.
- 17. "ORDINARY DISABILITY" MEANS A PHYSICAL CONDITION THAT THE LOCAL BOARD DETERMINES WILL PREVENT AN EMPLOYEE FROM TOTALLY AND PERMANENTLY PERFORMING A REASONABLE RANGE OF DUTIES WITHIN THE EMPLOYEE'S DEPARTMENT OR A MENTAL CONDITION THAT THE LOCAL BOARD DETERMINES WILL PREVENT AN EMPLOYEE FROM TOTALLY AND PERMANENTLY ENGAGING IN ANY SUBSTANTIAL GAINFUL ACTIVITY.
- 16. 18. "Participating employer" means an employer which the fund manager has determined to have one or more employees in a designated position or a county, city or town which has entered into a joinder agreement pursuant to section 38-902.
- $\frac{17.}{19.}$  "Pension" means a series of monthly payments by the retirement plan.
- $\frac{18.}{19.}$  20. "Probation or surveillance officer" means an officer appointed pursuant to section 8-203, 12-251 or 12-259 but does not include other personnel, office assistants or support staff.

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- <del>20.</del> 22. "Retirement" means termination of employment after a member has fulfilled all requirements for a pension.
- 21. 23. "Retirement plan" or "plan" means the corrections officer retirement plan established by this article.
- 22. 24. "Salary" means the base salary, shift differential pay and holiday pay paid a member in a designated position for personal services rendered to a participating employer on a regular monthly, semimonthly or biweekly payroll basis. Salary includes amounts that are subject to deferred compensation or tax shelter agreements. Salary does not include payment for any remuneration or reimbursement other than as prescribed by this paragraph. For the purposes of this paragraph, "base salary" means the amount of compensation each member is regularly paid for personal services rendered to an employer before the addition of any extra monies, including overtime pay, shift differential pay, holiday pay, fringe benefit pay and similar extra payments.
- 23. 25. "Service" means employment rendered to a participating employer as an employee in a designated position. Any absence that is authorized by an employer, including any periods during which the employee is on an employer sponsored long-term disability program, is considered as service if the employee returns or is deemed by the employer to have returned to a designated position within the period of the authorized absence.
- 24. "Total and permanent disability" means a physical or mental condition that is not an accidental disability, that the local board finds totally and permanently prevents a member from engaging in any gainful employment and that is the direct and proximate result of the member's performance of the member's duty as an employee of a participating employer.
- 26. "TEMPORARY DISABILITY" MEANS A PHYSICAL OR MENTAL CONDITION THAT THE LOCAL BOARD FINDS TOTALLY AND TEMPORARILY PREVENTS AN EMPLOYEE FROM PERFORMING A REASONABLE RANGE OF DUTIES WITHIN THE EMPLOYEE'S DEPARTMENT AND WAS INCURRED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE EMPLOYEE'S DUTY.
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include payment for any remuneration or reimbursement other than as prescribed by this paragraph. For the purposes of this paragraph, "base salary" means the amount of compensation each member is regularly paid for personal services rendered to an employer before the addition of any extra monies, including overtime pay, shift differential pay, holiday pay, payments for the sale of compensatory time, fringe benefit pay and similar extra payments.

23. 25. "Service" means employment rendered to a participating employer as an employee in a designated position. Any absence that is authorized by an employer, including any periods during which the employee is on an employer sponsored long-term disability program, is considered as service if the employee returns or is deemed by the employer to have returned to a designated position within the period of the authorized absence.

24. "Total and permanent disability" means a physical or mental condition that is not an accidental disability, that the local board finds totally and permanently prevents a member from engaging in any gainful employment and that is the direct and proximate result of the member's performance of the member's duty as an employee of a participating employer.

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Sec. 3. Repeal

Sections 38-886 and 38-886.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, are repealed.

Sec. 4. Title 38, chapter 5, article 6, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section 38-886, to read:

38-886. Requirements for normal and disability pensions; amount of pensions

A. A MEMBER SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR A NORMAL PENSION ON RETIREMENT ON OR AFTER THE MEMBER'S NORMAL RETIREMENT DATE. PAYMENT OF A NORMAL PENSION SHALL COMMENCE AS OF THE FIRST DAY OF THE MONTH FOLLOWING THE DATE OF RETIREMENT, AND THE LAST PAYMENT SHALL BE MADE AS OF THE LAST DAY OF THE MONTH IN WHICH THE DEATH OF THE RETIRED MEMBER OCCURS.

B. A MEMBER IS ELIGIBLE FOR AN ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY PENSION IF THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYMENT IS TERMINATED BY REASON OF ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY. A MEMBER IS ELIGIBLE FOR AN ORDINARY DISABILITY PENSION IF THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYMENT IS TERMINATED BEFORE THE MEMBER'S NORMAL RETIREMENT DATE BY REASON OF ORDINARY DISABILITY. A MEMBER SHALL FILE AN APPLICATION FOR A DISABILITY PENSION AFTER THE DISABLING INCIDENT OR WITHIN ONE YEAR AFTER THE DATE THE MEMBER CEASES TO BE AN EMPLOYEE. TIMELY APPLICATION FOR AN ACCIDENTAL, CATASTROPHIC OR ORDINARY DISABILITY PENSION IS A PREREQUISITE TO RECEIPT OF THE PENSION. PAYMENT OF AN ACCIDENTAL, CATASTROPHIC OR ORDINARY DISABILITY PENSION SHALL COMMENCE AS OF THE FIRST DAY OF THE MONTH FOLLOWING THE DATE OF RETIREMENT OR THE EXPIRATION OF A PERIOD DURING WHICH THE MEMBER IS RECEIVING SICK LEAVE PAYMENTS OR A TEMPORARY DISABILITY PENSION, WHICHEVER IS LATER.

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THE LAST PAYMENT SHALL BE MADE AS OF THE LAST DAY OF THE MONTH IN WHICH THE DEATH OF THE RETIRED MEMBER OCCURS OR, IF DISABILITY CEASES BEFORE THE MEMBER'S NORMAL RETIREMENT DATE, THE FIRST DAY OF THE MONTH IN WHICH DISABILITY CEASES.

- C. A MEMBER IS ELIGIBLE FOR A CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY PENSION IF THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYMENT IS TERMINATED BY REASON OF CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY. IF MORE THAN THE ALLOWABLE CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY PENSIONS ARE APPROVED BY THE LOCAL BOARDS IN A CALENDAR YEAR, FROM AND AFTER DECEMBER 31 OF THE FOLLOWING CALENDAR YEAR A MEMBER OF THE PLAN IS NOT ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR A CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY PENSION. ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 31, THE FUND MANAGER SHALL REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THE NUMBER OF CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY PENSIONS THAT WERE APPROVED BY THE LOCAL BOARDS IN THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, "ALLOWABLE CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY PENSIONS" MEANS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2007, TEN, AND FOR SUBSEQUENT CALENDAR YEARS THE NUMBER OF ALLOWABLE CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY PENSIONS ALLOWED IN THE PRIOR CALENDAR YEAR MINUS THE NUMBER OF CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY PENSIONS APPROVED BY THE LOCAL BOARDS IN THE PRIOR CALENDAR YEAR PLUS FOUR.
- D. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS SECTION, A MEMBER SHALL NOT QUALIFY FOR AN ACCIDENTAL, CATASTROPHIC OR ORDINARY DISABILITY PENSION IF THE LOCAL BOARD DETERMINES THAT THE MEMBER'S DISABILITY RESULTS FROM THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. AN INJURY SUFFERED WHILE ENGAGED IN A FELONIOUS CRIMINAL ACT OR ENTERPRISE.
- 2. SERVICE IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES THAT ENTITLES THE MEMBER TO A VETERAN'S DISABILITY PENSION.
- 3. A PHYSICAL OR MENTAL CONDITION OR INJURY THAT EXISTED OR OCCURRED BEFORE THE MEMBER'S DATE OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE PLAN.
- E. ACCIDENTAL OR ORDINARY DISABILITY SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO HAVE CEASED AND AN ACCIDENTAL OR ORDINARY DISABILITY PENSION TERMINATES IF THE MEMBER:
- 1. HAS SUFFICIENTLY RECOVERED, IN THE OPINION OF THE LOCAL BOARD, BASED ON A MEDICAL EXAMINATION BY A PHYSICIAN OR CLINIC APPOINTED BY THE LOCAL BOARD, TO BE ABLE TO ENGAGE IN A REASONABLE RANGE OF DUTIES WITHIN THE MEMBER'S DEPARTMENT AND THE MEMBER REFUSES AN OFFER OF EMPLOYMENT BY AN EMPLOYER IN THE PLAN.
- 2. REFUSES TO UNDERGO ANY MEDICAL EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY THE BOARD, EXCEPT THAT A MEDICAL EXAMINATION SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED MORE FREQUENTLY THAN ONCE IN ANY CALENDAR YEAR.
- F. SIXTY MONTHS AFTER THE AWARD OF A CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY PENSION, THE LOCAL BOARD SHALL REEVALUATE THE MEMBER. IF THE MEMBER STILL QUALIFIES FOR THE CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY PENSION, THE MEMBER IS ENTITLED TO CONTINUE TO RECEIVE THE PENSION AT THE REDUCED AMOUNT PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION P OF THIS SECTION. A CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO HAVE CEASED AND A CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY PENSION TERMINATES IF THE LOCAL BOARD

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DETERMINES THAT THE MEMBER HAS SUFFICIENTLY RECOVERED AND IS ABLE TO ENGAGE IN GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT BASED ON A MEDICAL EXAMINATION BY A PHYSICIAN OR A CLINIC APPOINTED BY THE LOCAL BOARD. AFTER THE SIXTY MONTH REVIEW, THE CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO HAVE CEASED AND A CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY PENSION TERMINATES IF THE LOCAL BOARD DETERMINES THAT THE MEMBER HAS SUFFICIENTLY RECOVERED AND IS ABLE TO ENGAGE IN GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT BASED ON A MEDICAL EXAMINATION BY A PHYSICIAN OR A CLINIC APPOINTED BY THE LOCAL BOARD, EXCEPT THAT THE MEDICAL EXAMINATION SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED MORE FREQUENTLY THAN ONCE IN A CALENDAR YEAR. THE MEDICAL REVIEW AFTER THE SIXTY MONTH PERIOD DOES NOT APPLY AFTER THE DATE THE CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY PENSIONER WOULD HAVE ATTAINED TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE ASSUMING THE PENSIONER REMAINED A MEMBER OF THE PLAN. THE LOCAL BOARD SHALL ALSO TERMINATE A CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY PENSION IF THE MEMBER REFUSES TO UNDERGO ANY MEDICAL EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY THE BOARD. A MEMBER WHOSE CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY PENSION IS TERMINATED MAY APPLY FOR AND, IF ELIGIBLE, IS ENTITLED TO RECEIVE AN ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY PENSION AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.

- G. SUBSECTION E OF THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY AFTER A DISABILITY PENSIONER'S NORMAL RETIREMENT DATE. THE AMOUNT OF A DISABILITY PENSION SHALL NOT BE RECOMPUTED AT A DISABILITY PENSIONER'S NORMAL RETIREMENT DATE.
- H. AN ORDINARY DISABILITY PENSION SHALL BE REDUCED IN THE PERIOD BEFORE THE MEMBER'S NORMAL RETIREMENT DATE IF THE MEMBER ENGAGES IN ANY EMPLOYMENT AND IF THE MEMBER'S INCOME FROM THIS EMPLOYMENT IS GREATER THAN THE MEMBER'S PENSION UNREDUCED BY THIS SUBSECTION. THE AMOUNT OF THE REDUCTION SHALL BE EQUAL TO THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE MEMBER'S INCOME FROM EMPLOYMENT AND THE MEMBER'S UNREDUCED PENSION. THE LOCAL BOARD MAY SUSPEND PAYMENTS OF AN ORDINARY DISABILITY PENSION IF THE DISABLED MEMBER FAILS TO REPORT EARNED INCOME. THIS SUSPENSION SHALL BE FOR THE PERIOD THERE IS NO SATISFACTORY REPORT WITH RESTORATION OF BENEFITS ON ACCEPTANCE OF SUCH REPORT OR UNTIL THE MEMBER'S NORMAL RETIREMENT DATE, WHICHEVER OCCURS EARLIER. IF, IN THE OPINION OF THE LOCAL BOARD, THE REDUCTION PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION IS INSUFFICIENT TO RECOVER MONIES PREVIOUSLY PAID TO A MEMBER, EACH LOCAL BOARD MAY BRING AN ACTION TO RECOVER ANY OUTSTANDING BALANCE DUE, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER RIGHTS THE LOCAL BOARD POSSESSES.
- I. IF ACCIDENTAL OR ORDINARY DISABILITY CEASES BEFORE A RETIRED MEMBER ATTAINS THE MEMBER'S NORMAL RETIREMENT DATE AND THE MEMBER IS REEMPLOYED BY AN EMPLOYER, THE PENSION PAYABLE ON THE MEMBER'S SUBSEQUENT RETIREMENT SHALL BE DETERMINED AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION L OF THIS SECTION.
- J. A MEMBER SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR A TEMPORARY DISABILITY PENSION IF THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYMENT IS TERMINATED BEFORE THE MEMBER'S NORMAL RETIREMENT DATE BY REASON OF TEMPORARY DISABILITY. PAYMENT OF A TEMPORARY DISABILITY PENSION SHALL COMMENCE AS OF THE FIRST DAY OF THE MONTH FOLLOWING THE DATE OF DISABILITY OR THE EXPIRATION OF A PERIOD DURING WHICH THE MEMBER IS RECEIVING COMPENSATION AND SICK LEAVE PAYMENTS, WHICHEVER IS LATER. THE LAST PAYMENT SHALL BE MADE AS OF THE FIRST DAY OF THE MONTH IN WHICH EITHER THE DEATH OF THE MEMBER OCCURS OR THE LOCAL BOARD DEEMS THE MEMBER IS NO LONGER UNDER

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TEMPORARY DISABILITY, WHICHEVER FIRST OCCURS, EXCEPT THAT NO MORE THAN TWELVE MONTHLY TEMPORARY DISABILITY PAYMENTS SHALL BE MADE IN TOTAL TO THE MEMBER.

- K. IF ON THE EXPIRATION OF A TEMPORARY DISABILITY PENSION THE LOCAL BOARD FINDS ON APPLICATION THAT THE MEMBER HAS AN ACCIDENTAL OR ORDINARY DISABILITY, THE MEMBER SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR AN ACCIDENTAL OR ORDINARY DISABILITY PENSION, AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.
- L. IF A RETIRED MEMBER IS REEMPLOYED BY AN EMPLOYER, NO CONTRIBUTIONS SHALL BE MADE ON THE RETIRED MEMBER'S ACCOUNT, NOR ANY SERVICE CREDITED, DURING THE PERIOD OF SUCH REEMPLOYMENT. NOTWITHSTANDING THIS SUBSECTION, IF A RETIRED MEMBER SUBSEQUENTLY BECOMES EMPLOYED IN THE SAME POSITION BY THE EMPLOYER FROM WHICH THE MEMBER RETIRED. THE PLAN SHALL NOT MAKE PENSION PAYMENTS TO THE RETIRED MEMBER DURING THE PERIOD OF REEMPLOYMENT. SUBSEQUENT TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT BY THE RETIRED MEMBER. THE RETIRED MEMBER IS ENTITLED TO RECEIVE A PENSION BASED ON THE MEMBER'S SERVICE AND COMPENSATION BEFORE THE DATE OF THE MEMBER'S REEMPLOYMENT. IF A MEMBER WHO RETIRED UNDER DISABILITY IS REEMPLOYED BY AN EMPLOYER AS AN EMPLOYEE, THAT MEMBER SHALL BE TREATED AS IF THE MEMBER HAD BEEN ON AN UNCOMPENSATED LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING THE PERIOD OF THE MEMBER'S DISABILITY RETIREMENT AND SHALL BE A CONTRIBUTING MEMBER OF THE PLAN. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, "SAME POSITION" MEANS THE MEMBER IS IN A POSITION IN WHICH THE MEMBER PERFORMS DUTIES THAT ARE THE SAME DUTIES THAT WERE PERFORMED, AND EXERCISES AUTHORITY THAT IS THE SAME AUTHORITY THAT WAS EXERCISED, BY THE MEMBER BEFORE THE MEMBER'S RETIREMENT.
- M. A MEMBER WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR AN ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY PENSION SHALL RECEIVE A MONTHLY AMOUNT THAT IS COMPUTED IN THE SAME MANNER AS A NORMAL PENSION, USING THE MEMBER'S AVERAGE MONTHLY BENEFIT COMPENSATION BEFORE TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT AND THE MEMBER'S ACTUAL CREDITED SERVICE OR TWENTY YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE, WHICHEVER IS GREATER.
- N. A MEMBER WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR AN ORDINARY DISABILITY PENSION SHALL RECEIVE A MONTHLY AMOUNT THAT IS EQUAL TO A FRACTION TIMES THE MEMBER'S NORMAL PENSION THAT IS COMPUTED ACCORDING TO SECTION 38-885, SUBSECTION C IF THE MEMBER HAD TWENTY YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE. THE FRACTION IS THE RESULT OBTAINED BY DIVIDING THE MEMBER'S ACTUAL YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE, NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE, BY TWENTY.
- O. A MEMBER WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A TEMPORARY DISABILITY PENSION SHALL RECEIVE A MONTHLY AMOUNT THAT IS EQUAL TO ONE-TWELFTH OF FIFTY PER CENT OF THE MEMBER'S ANNUAL COMPENSATION RECEIVED IMMEDIATELY BEFORE THE DATE ON WHICH THE MEMBER'S DISABILITY WAS INCURRED.
- P. A MEMBER WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY PENSION IS ENTITLED TO RECEIVE A MONTHLY AMOUNT COMPUTED AS FOLLOWS:
- 1. FOR THE FIRST SIXTY MONTHS, NINETY PER CENT OF THE MEMBER'S AVERAGE MONTHLY BENEFIT COMPENSATION BEFORE TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT.
- 2. AFTER SIXTY MONTHS, SIXTY-TWO AND ONE-HALF PER CENT OF THE MEMBER'S AVERAGE MONTHLY BENEFIT COMPENSATION BEFORE TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT OR COMPUTED IN THE SAME MANNER AS A NORMAL PENSION USING THE MEMBER'S AVERAGE

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12 13 MONTHLY BENEFIT COMPENSATION BEFORE TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT AND THE MEMBER'S ACTUAL CREDITED SERVICE, WHICHEVER IS GREATER.

Q. A MEMBER WHO WAS EMPLOYED BEFORE SEPTEMBER 15, 1989 BY AN EMPLOYER PARTICIPATING IN THE PLAN AND WHO RETIRES ON OR AFTER NOVEMBER 1, 2001 IS ENTITLED TO RECEIVE A TAX EQUITY BENEFIT ALLOWANCE CONSISTING OF A PERMANENT INCREASE OF TWO PER CENT OF THE MEMBER'S BASE BENEFIT RETROACTIVE TO THE DAY OF RETIREMENT.

Sec. 5. <u>Conditional enactment</u>

Section 38-881, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 2006, chapter 264, section 14 and chapter 308, section 2 and section 2 of this act, becomes effective on the date prescribed in Laws 2005, chapter 324, section 2 but only on the occurrence of the condition prescribed by Laws 2005, chapter 324, section 2.

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